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GENERAL INFORMATION

Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) Section 313 Questions and Answers Addendum for Federal Facilities – Revised 1999 Version. The July 2000 issue of the *Central Region Review* noted that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) had just posted this document on the Internet. Please be advised that U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) EPCRA and Section 313 guidance documents should be used for EPCRA Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) reporting. These documents are available at <http://www.denix.osd.mil/Public/ES-Programs/Pollution/pollution.html>.

ASSISTANCE INFORMATION

Full Cost Accounting (FCA): Practical Guide to Converting on FCA. This March 2000 handbook is structured around a set of worksheets designed to help governments identify and collect the data they need to determine the full cost of their solid waste management activities. The publication is available on the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/non-hw/muncpl/fullcost/docs/natdocs.htm>.

TRAINING INFORMATION

Arkansas Online Wastewater Operator Environmental Training Courses. Online environmental training courses are now available at a discounted rate to operators in the State of Arkansas. The Wastewater Licensing Committee has approved this training, which is available at <http://www.environmental-training.com>. Coupons to receive a discount are available at <http://www.environmental-training.com/discount/AR.htm>. For further information, please contact *FABL Environmental Regulatory Specialists* at (864) 246-9400.

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Writer's Training Course. The U.S. EPA is developing a course for NPDES permit holders, permit applicants, and others interested in the permitting process. The remaining training course is scheduled for **11-15 September 2000** in **Helena, Montana**. The course is limited to 70 participants. Information on the course is posted at <http://www.epa.gov/owm/permits/pwcourse/dates.htm>. For further information, please contact *Regina Meehan* at (864) 246-9400, ext. 3, or e-mail rmeehan@environmental-training.com.

Hazardous Waste Management and Manifest Refresher Course. This workshop provides general awareness/familiarization and function-specific training pertaining to the requirements of Department of Transportation Hazardous Materials Regulations, including identification of proper shipping name; hazard class; and marking, labeling, packaging and placarding requirements. The intent is to fulfill the recurrent training requirements in 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 172, Subpart H. The course is listed as an approved DoD training course. The course is open to all federal agencies. Session dates are as follows:

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| • 12-13 September 2000 | St. Louis, Missouri |
| • 15-16 November 2000 | Omaha, Nebraska |
| • 1-2 August 2001 | Omaha, Nebraska. |

To reserve a space in a workshop session or to obtain additional information, please contact *Joy Rodriguez* at (256) 895-7448. For information pertaining to the course, please contact *Sandi Zebrowski* at (402) 697-2562 or e-mail sandi.m.zebrowski@usace.army.mil.

U.S. EPA Region VI – Environmental Response Training Program (ERTP). U.S. EPA Region VI is offering the following upcoming environmental response training course:

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| • Introduction to Groundwater Investigations | 19-21 September 2000 in Midwest City, Oklahoma. |
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ERTP course information is available at U.S. EPA's Training Exchange web site at <http://www.trainex.org>. To register for a class or for more information on courses offered by U.S. EPA Region VI, contact *Keith Reddick*, U.S. EPA Region VI, at (214) 665-8338, fax to (214) 665-7447, or e-mail reddick.Keith@epamail.epa.gov.

U.S. EPA Region VII – ERTP. U.S. EPA Region VII is offering the following upcoming environmental response training course:

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| • Permeable Reactive Barriers (In Situ): Application and Deployment | 12-13 September 2000 in Kansas City, Missouri. |
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ERTP course information is available at U.S. EPA's Training Exchange web site at <http://www.trainex.org>. To get a list of all training opportunities currently available through U.S. EPA Region VII, or for more information on classes, contact *Evelyn Van Goethem*, U.S. EPA Region VII, at (913) 551-7659, fax to (913) 551-7145, or e-mail vangoethem.evelyn@epa.gov. To register for a class, contact the Training Registrar at (513) 251-7776 or (513) 251-7669, fax to (513) 251-4137, or e-mail embryk@ttnus.com.

Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission (TNRCC) Waste Management Seminar. This seminar, hosted by TNRCC, is scheduled for **26-27 September 2000** in **Dallas, Texas**. The agenda focuses on issues pertaining to industrial and hazardous waste generators, petroleum storage tank owners and operators, and managers, engineers, environmental staffs and consultants who assist them. A discussion of the Texas Risk Reduction Program will be featured. Electronic reporting (STEERS) training will be offered during the seminar. To pre-register, please call (512) 239-6925. To register, please contact *Paula Callaway* at (512) 239-6323, fax to (512)

239-6307, or e-mail pcallawa@tnrcc.state.tx.us. For information regarding the agenda, please contact Harold Baughman at (512) 239-6326, fax to (512) 239-6307, or e-mail hbaughma@tnrcc.state.tx.us.

TNRCC Pollution Prevention Workshop. This workshop, hosted by TNRCC, is scheduled for **28-29 September 2000** in **Dallas, Texas**, at the same location as TNRCC's Waste Management Seminar. The workshop is geared towards Large Quantity Generators, Small Quantity Generators, and TRI-Form R Reporters. This workshop will teach participants how to comply with the law and reduce hazardous waste. For further information, please contact Diane Stallings at (512) 239-6333, fax to (512) 239-6307, or e-mail dstallin@tnrcc.state.tx.us.

Watershed 101: Clean Water Act Tools for Watershed Protection. This course is scheduled for **11-12 October 2000** in **Kansas City, Kansas**. There is no cost, but attendance is limited to 50 people. If you wish to attend, please contact Ken Bruene, U.S. EPA, at (913) 551-7142 or e-mail bruene.ken@epa.gov; or Sue Belvill, U.S. EPA, at (913) 551-7788 or e-mail belvill.sue@epa.gov.

Interagency Continuing Education in Ecosystem Management (CEEM) Program. The CEEM Program was initially developed to better prepare natural resource professionals to meet the challenges of implementing ecosystem management in the present and into the future. CEEM is open to participation from any interested federal or state agency. CEEM consists of four modules, each two weeks in duration. Applicants must plan to complete all four modules in sequence. Module I, Bio-physical and Human Dimensions of Ecosystems, will be held **16-27 October 2000** at Utah State University in **Logan, Utah**. Module II, Structure and Function of Ecological and Social Systems, will be held **27 January – 9 February 2001** at Northern Arizona University in **Flagstaff, Arizona**. Module III, Integrated Inventory, Analysis and Assessment of Ecosystems, will be held **2-13 April 2001** at Colorado State University in **Fort Collins, Colorado**. Module IV, Ecosystem Management Implementation, will involve participants in teams developing an ecosystem management assessment for an actual landscape. The module will be completed by **15 July 2001**. For further information about the program, please contact Professor James Long, Utah State University, College of Natural Resources, at (435) 797-2574, or e-mail fakpb@cc.usu.edu.

10th Compost Facility Operator Training Program. The Louisiana State University Agricultural Center, Environmental Programs Division will conduct this course in **mid-October 2000** in **Baton Rouge, Louisiana**. The program will include classroom lectures as well as field training with windrow and aerated static pile composting systems. The course is designed to train participants who will manage and operate compost facilities, who want to learn the basics of composting and who want to experience real composting operations. Completion of the course should prepare operators for state certification. For further information, please e-mail Bill Carney, Environmental Science Division, Louisiana State University Agricultural Center, at bcarney@agctr.lsu.edu.

Air Quality Management Course. The Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT) is offering a non-tuition, one-week course designed for air quality managers in all Defense Services. The course provides discussions of technical and regulatory issues including compliance, emission inventories and processes, sampling and analysis, permitting, pollution prevention and waste reduction strategy, control technology, National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPs), conformity and risk management rules, and ozone-depleting compounds. Upcoming offerings are scheduled for **13-17 November 2000** and **4-8 June 2001**. Registration details, schedule updates and further course information is available on the AFIT Web site at <http://cess.afit.af.mil>. For further information, please contact Lawrence Webber at lawrence.webber@aec.apgea.army.mil or Susan Thomas at susan.thomas@aec.apgea.army.mil.

Army's Defense Environmental Restoration Program (DERP) Workshop. The U.S. Army Environmental Center is hosting the Army's DERP 2000 Workshop in **New Orleans, Louisiana** on **12-14 December 2000**. The central theme, Cleanup – Restoring the Past, Protecting the Future, showcases the military's continued emphasis on sound environmental stewardship and improvement of the Restoration Program. Army, Navy, Air Force and DoD personnel, as well as members of other federal agencies, are invited to attend this unclassified workshop. Federal contractors, academia, and industry personnel are welcome to attend if giving a presentation of exhibiting technologies. The workshop Web site is at <http://www.ttclients.com/derp>. For further information, please contact Ms. Clare at (703) 390-0654, fax to (703) 391-5876, or e-mail clarei@ttemi.com.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

Kansas Department of Health and Environment's (KDHE) Year 2000 Environmental Conference. This conference, "Kansas Environment: Future Challenges," will be held **12-13 September 2000** at the Capitol Plaza

Hotel and Expocentre in **Topeka, Kansas**. The conference will provide updates on environmental issues, new technologies, regulatory information and pollution prevention. There will also be an exhibition. Registration is due by 1 September 2000. *For more information about registration or traveling to Topeka, or for a copy of the agenda, please contact Ricquelle at (785) 296-6603. For more information about conference speakers, subjects or exhibits, please contact Janet Neff, KDHE, at (800) 357-6087 or (785) 296-0669.*

U.S. EPA Region VII Pollution Prevention Roundtable. The next Region VII Pollution Prevention Roundtable, which will be held **13-15 September 2000** in **Topeka, Kansas**, has a dual focus: hospital compliance and hospital pollution prevention. The business meeting portion of the roundtable will be on the 13th, while the hospital portion of the roundtable will be on the 14th and 15th. A copy of the brochure is available at <http://www.missouri.edu/~ceewww>. *For further information, please contact John Atkinson, Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering, University of Missouri-Columbia, at (573) 882-8880 or e-mail atkinsonj@missouri.edu.*

How to Manage the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Process and Write Effective NEPA Documents. This course is scheduled to be held **18-21 September 2000** in **Dallas, Texas**. The registration fee is \$495. The class size will be limited, and the cut-off date was 17 August 2000. A training registration form is posted at <http://www.shipleygroup.com> (click on NEPA Federal Facilities button). *For further information, please e-mail Joyce Stubblefield at joyce.stubblefield@epamail.epa.gov or Jana Harvill at harvill.jana@epa.gov.*

Arkansas Environmental Federation's Pollution Prevention Conference. The Arkansas Environmental Federation proposes to host a Pollution Prevention Conference focusing on the metal parts and machinery sector. The conference format will include the use of recognized specialists in the field to serve as presenters and panelists. The conference will be held **20-21 September 2000** in **North Little Rock, Arkansas**. The first day will focus on pretreatment, and the second day will focus on the MP&M rule and case studies. *For further information, please contact the Arkansas Environmental Federation at (501) 374-0263, fax to (501) 374-8752, or visit their Web site at <http://www.environmentark.org>.*

Recycling: Benefits for Oklahoma's Communities and Environment Workshop. This workshop, sponsored by the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) and others, has been organized to assist local officials, solid waste committees and other individuals interested in implementation or improvement of recycling programs as a solid waste management alternative. Representatives from recycling organizations will present information and be available to answer questions. Coordinators of successful recycling programs will share experiences. The workshop will be held **28 September 2000** in **Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**. *For more information, please contact Mary Lawler at (405) 744-9820.*

U.S. EPA Region VI Pollution Prevention Conference. This conference will be held in **January 2001** in **Dallas, Texas**. *For further information, please contact Eli Martinez, U.S. EPA Region VI, at (214) 665-2119.*

Tri-State Recycling Conference. The Iowa Recycling Association, Iowa Society of Solid Waste Operations, and Nebraska State Recycling Association are jointly hosting the Tri-State Recycling Conference on **4-6 October 2000** in **Council Bluffs, Iowa**. *For further information, please contact Garth Frable at (515) 265-1596 or e-mail frable3r@aol.com.*

Texas Recycling Summit – Coalition 2000. TNRC is co-organizing the Texas Recycling Summit – Coalition 2000, which is scheduled for **15-18 October 2000** in **Houston, Texas**. Features of the summit include (1) buy recycled, (2) clean air, (3) resource management, (4) purchasing strategies, (5) compost experts, (6) legislative issues, and (7) expanded trade show. Information about accommodations, exhibitors, and exhibitor registration is available at <http://www.texasrecyclingsummit.com/>.

2000 New Mexico Environmental Health Conference. The 2000 New Mexico Environmental Health Conference, to be held **23-25 October 2000** in **Albuquerque, New Mexico**, will continue with the theme of the past four years: "Sustainable Partnerships for Healthy Communities." The conference is organized around a number of major topic tracks: (1) Water Resources, (2) Waste Management, (3) Food Protection, (4) Public Health, (5) Air Quality, (6) Technology Deployment Initiative, and (7) the WERC Education and Research Forum. Information about the conference is available at <http://www.nmehc.org/>. *You may also contact Tom Duker, Conference Chairman, at (505) 924-3667, fax to (505) 924-3684, or e-mail tduker@mercury.bernco.gov.*

KDHE Household Hazardous Waste Conference. This conference will be held **31 January – 2 February 2001** in **Topeka, Kansas**. For more information, please contact *Cathy Colglazier, KDHE, Bureau of Waste Management, at (785) 291-3510*.

KDHE Recycling and Composting Works! Conference. This conference will be held **20-22 March 2001** in **Hays, Kansas**. For more information, please contact *Cathy Colglazier, KDHE, Bureau of Waste Management, at (785) 291-3510*.

FEDERAL ACTIONS

U.S. EPA FINAL RULES

Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions (65 Federal Register [FR] 43246; 13 July 2000). The State of Texas has applied for final authorization of the changes to its Hazardous Waste Program under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The U.S. EPA has determined that these changes satisfy all requirements needed to qualify for final authorization, and is authorizing the State's changes through an immediate final action. Final authorization will become effective 11 September 2000. For further information, please contact *Alima Patterson, U.S. EPA, at (214) 665-8533*.

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; Permitting of New and Modified Sources in Nonattainment Areas (65 FR 43986; 17 July 2000). The U.S. EPA is approving revisions to the Texas State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the permitting of new major sources and major modification in areas which do not meet the national ambient air quality standards promulgated by the U.S. EPA (nonattainment areas). This action approves the recodification of and revisions to the nonattainment permitting regulations. The action also approves revisions relating to when nonattainment area permitting requirements apply to emissions of nitrogen oxides as a precursor to ozone in an ozone nonattainment area. The rule was effective 16 August 2000. For further information, please contact *Stanley Spruiell, U.S. EPA Region VI, Air Permits Section, at (214) 665-7212, or e-mail spruiell.stanley@epa.gov*.

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; Revisions to Emergency Episode Plan Regulations (65 FR 45915; 26 July 2000). The U.S. EPA is approving revisions to TNRCC's emergency episode plan regulations in the Texas SIP in a direct final rule. The revisions update statutory citations, update references to the Commission, and change various wording to improve readability. The effective date of this rule is 25 September 2000. For further information, please contact *Bill Deese, U.S. EPA Region VI, Air Planning Section, at (214) 665-7253*.

Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Control of Emissions from Hospital/Medical/Infectious Waste Incinerators (HMIWI); State of Kansas (65 FR 43702; 14 July 2000). The U.S. EPA is approving the State of Kansas' section 111(d) plan for controlling emissions from existing HMIWIs in this direct final rule. The plan was submitted to fulfill the requirements of sections 111 and 129 of the Clean Air Act. The state plan establishes emission limits and controls for sources constructed on or before 20 June 1996. This rule is effective on 12 September 2000 without further notice. For further information, please contact *Wayne Kaiser, U.S. EPA, at (913) 551-7603*.

U.S. EPA PROPOSED RULE

Control of Emissions of Hazardous Air Pollutants from Mobile Sources (65 FR 48057; 4 August 2000). The U.S. EPA is proposing its framework for a national mobile source air toxics program and specific controls on gasoline to prevent increases in emissions of benzene. U.S. EPA's analysis indicates that the current and proposed programs for reduction of emissions from mobile sources will yield significant reductions of mobile source air toxics. Between 1990 and 2020, these programs are expected to reduce on-highway emissions of benzene, formaldehyde, 1,3-butadiene, and acetaldehyde by 75 percent or more. In addition, the agency expects to see on-highway diesel particulate matter emission reductions of over 90 percent. The proposal includes a proposed list of 21 mobile source air toxics (MSATs). Inclusion on the list is not itself a determination by U.S. EPA that emissions of the compound in fact present a risk to public health or welfare, or that it is appropriate to adopt controls to limit emissions of such a compound from motor vehicles or their fuels. A public hearing has been held, and written

comments are due by 20 September 2000. For further information, please contact Carol Connell, U.S. EPA, National Vehicle and Fuels Emission Laboratory, at (734) 214-4349, or e-mail connell.carol@epa.gov.

OTHER U.S. EPA REGULATORY ACTION

Extension of Comment Period and Change to Public Hearing Schedule for the Proposed Rule on Water Quality Standards for Kansas (65 FR 45569; 24 July 2000). The U.S. EPA is extending the comment period and rescheduling the public hearing for its 3 July 2000 proposed rule to promulgate water quality standards for the State of Kansas. If promulgated as final standards, they would supersede aspects of Kansas' water quality standards that the agency disapproved in 1998. Public hearings are now scheduled for 13-14 September 2000, and public comments will be accepted until 16 October 2000. For further information, please contact Ann Jacobs, U.S. EPA Region VII, at (913) 551-7930, or e-mail jacobs.ann@epa.gov.

U.S. EPA GUIDANCE

Whole Effluent Toxicity Test Methods Guidance (65 FR 46457; 28 July 2000). The U.S. EPA has released additional guidance on Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET) testing entitled "Method Guidance and Recommendations for Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET) Testing (40 CFR Part 136)." This guidance document updates recommendations and suggestions regarding WET test methods published by U.S. EPA and incorporated by reference into regulations. The document provides specific guidance on nominal error rate assumption adjustments, confidence intervals, concentration-response relationships, dilution series selection, and dilution water. The guidance document is available at <http://www.epa.gov/OST/WET/>. Aquatic toxicity testing using live organisms (WET testing) is a requirement of many NPDES permits. For further information, please contact Marion Kelly, U.S. EPA, Office of Water, Engineering and Analysis, at (202) 260-7117, or e-mail kelly.marion@epamail.gov; or contact John Fox, U.S. EPA, Office of Water, Engineering and Analysis, at (202) 260-9889, or e-mail fox.john@epamail.gov.

U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE PROPOSED RULE

Extension of Public Comment Period and Notice of Availability of Draft Economic Analysis for Proposed Critical Habitat Determination for the Arkansas River Basin Population of the Arkansas River Shiner (65 FR 49781; 15 August 2000). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) is announcing the availability of the draft economic analysis for the proposed critical habitat for the Arkansas River shiner. The agency also is providing notice that the public comment period for the proposal is extended until 16 October 2000 to allow comments on the proposal and the draft economic analysis. This proposal may affect Camp Gruber (ARNG) and Lexington AAF (ARNG) in Oklahoma. For further information, please contact Ken Collins, USFWS, at (918) 581-7458, ext. 230.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE GUIDANCE

Interim Range Rule Risk Methodology (IR3M) Guidance Document (65 FR 36423; 8 June 2000). The DoD is making available the IR3M, which it developed to provide a consistent methodology to assess and manage risks posed by military munitions, unexploded ordnance, and other constituents. The IR3M assists decisionmakers in the selection of appropriate response actions on closed, transferred and transferring military ranges covered under DoD's Range Rule (to be codified at 32 CFR 178). The IR3M guidance document is available at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/ens>. For further information, please contact Scott Hill at (410) 436-7085; or the R3M Hotline at (888) 541-1081, or e-mail r3m@aec.apgea.army.mil.

REGION VI STATE ACTIVITY

Region VI State Agency Web Sites

Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality	http://www.adeq.state.ar.us/
Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality	http://www.deq.state.la.us/
New Mexico Environment Department	http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/frhome.html
Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality	http://www.deq.state.ok.us/
Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission	http://www.tnrcc.state.tx.us/

STATE OF ARKANSAS FINAL RULE

Title V Rules Amendments (Regulation 26). The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has adopted amendments to its Title V permitting rules in order to obtain permanent approval from the U.S. EPA for the program. Arkansas currently has interim approval through the year 2002. The purpose of the amendments was to make Regulation 26 consistent with the federal rules. The changes are non-substantive in nature. The effective date of this rule was 10 August 2000. *For further information, please contact Mike Porta, ADEQ, at (501) 682-0752.*

STATE OF ARKANSAS PROPOSED RULE

State Wastewater Discharge Permitting Program (Regulation 6). ADEQ is proposing revisions to its regulation regarding state administration of the NPDES permitting system. The purpose of the revisions is to keep the program in compliance with federal regulations. The proposed changes include changes in treatment standards or discharge limits for several categories of dischargers, including hazardous and non-hazardous landfills; revisions to sludge handling and disposal methods; and establishment of a new rule to control storm water runoff from smaller storm sewer systems and smaller construction sites. The proposal is awaiting review by one of the Legislative Council subcommittees and is tentatively scheduled to be presented for Pollution Control and Ecology Commission approval 22 September 2000. *For further information, please contact Mark Bradley, ADEQ, at (501) 682-0828.*

STATE OF ARKANSAS DISCUSSION

Creation of Illegal Waste Dump Eradication (Regulation 11). ADEQ is proposing a change to Regulation 11 that will add a section for an illegal waste dump eradication program. The proposal also exempts the previously regulated fees from out-of-state transporters of solid waste from the landfill post-closure trust fund and makes various other changes to Regulation 11. After a public hearing and comment period, ADEQ decided to redraft the proposal. A new proposal is expected in September 2000. *For further information, please contact Pat Henry, ADEQ, at (501) 682-0588.*

Increase of Tire Disposal Fees (Regulation 14). ADEQ had proposed changes to Regulation 14 in response to legislation which increased the waste tire disposal fee from \$1.50 to \$1.75 and allowed for charges of up to \$4.00 for truck tires by regional solid waste districts. After a public hearing and comment period, the Department decided to do a full review of Regulation 14, resulting in a new proposal to include these changes. A draft of the new proposal is expected to be released for informal comment in September 2000. *For further information, please contact Pat Henry, ADEQ, at (501) 682-0588.*

STATE OF LOUISIANA FINAL RULES

Guidance for the Use of Beneficial Environmental Projects (BEPs) in Enforcement Settlements (Louisiana Administrative Code [LAC] 33:I.Chapter 25). The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) has renewed an emergency rule that serves to facilitate the settlement of environmental actions and promote the use of BEPs. The projects will substantially benefit neighboring communities and reduce the load of pollutants discharged into the environment. Without this rule, projects that are otherwise advantageous to the state may be delayed, withdrawn or not performed. This emergency rule became effective on 8 July 2000, and will remain in effect until 3 November 2000 or until a final rule is promulgated, whichever occurs first. Rulemaking procedures have begun to promulgate this regulation. *For more information, please contact LDEQ's Regulation Development Section at (225) 765-0399.*

Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Loading Test Methods Revisions (LAC 33:III.2107). LDEQ has added Test Methods 18, 25A, 25B and flaring devices as appropriate test methods for determining compliance with the control requirements for loading facilities for VOC compounds. The effective date of the rule was 20 July 2000. *For more information, please contact Cheryl Flory, LDEQ, at (225) 765-0395.*

Hazardous Waste Remedial Action Plans (RAPs) (LAC 33:V.625, 630, 635, 660 and 717). LDEQ has adopted revisions to its hazardous waste rules. The revisions are required because certain federal regulations contain provisions which are in conflict with Louisiana statutes regarding the process to approve a RAP application, the effective date of a RAP, when to begin physical construction, reissuance of a RAP, and appeals. The new rule replaces the federal requirements with rules that are both the equivalent of the federal rules and comply with the state statutes. The effective date of the rule was 20 July 2000. *For more information, please contact Patsy Deaville, LDEQ, at (225) 765-0379.*

STATE OF LOUISIANA PROPOSED RULES

Adoption of Federal NESHAPs (LAC 33:III.5116 and 5122). This proposed rule incorporates, by reference, additional federal regulations in 40 CFR Part 63, NESHAPs, as well as removes previous references to *Federal Registers*. The State of Louisiana has received delegation of authority from the U.S. EPA to implement NESHAPs by "straight" delegation, which requires incorporating into the LAC, without changes, rules promulgated by the U.S. EPA. The rulemaking is applicable to stationary sources statewide. A public hearing will be held 25 September 2000, and comments must be received by that date. *For further information, please contact Patsy Deaville, LDEQ, at (225) 765-0399.*

Adoption of Federal Regulated Flammable Substance List (LAC 33:III.5901). This proposed rule incorporates by reference 40 CFR Part 68 through 1 July 1999 and 65 FR 13243-13250 air quality regulations. The federal regulation revises the list of regulated flammable substances to exclude those substances used as a fuel or held for sale as a fuel at a retail facility. This rule will allow the facilities to comply with equivalent federal regulations. A public hearing is scheduled for 25 September 2000, and written comments must be received by that date. *For further information, please contact Patsy Deaville, LDEQ, at (225) 765-0399.*

Amendments to Solid Waste Regulations (LAC 33:VII.105). This rule clarifies definitions, simplifies the exemption process, simplifies the standards for waste tire generators, transporters and recyclers, and implements the fee for off-road tires and tires weighing more than 100 pounds. The rule also implements a raise in payments to waste tire processors from \$1 per 20 pounds of waste tire material processed and marketed to \$1.50 per 20 pounds. The basis and rationale for this proposed rule are to incorporate the aspects of Act 1015 (1999 legislature) into the regulation and to make the standard current. A public hearing is scheduled for 25 September 2000. Written comments must be received by 2 October 2000. *For further information, please contact Patsy Deaville, LDEQ, at (225) 765-0399.*

Miscellaneous Solid Waste Revisions (LAC 33:VII.115, 707, 717, Chapter 13, and Chapter 101). LDEQ is proposing several revisions to its solid waste regulations. The proposed revision will include infectious wastes in the rules and actions required for off-loading and trans-loading of solid wastes. A new chapter will be added to address litter abatement in accordance with the statute. The regulations in Chapter 101, Recycling Awareness, will be repealed because they are no longer applicable to the Department's solid waste program. A public hearing has been held and the comment period is closed. *For further information, please contact Cheryl Flory, LDEQ, at (225) 765-0395.*

Phase II Stormwater Regulations (LAC 33:IX.Chapter 23). The Phase II stormwater regulations expand the existing Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (LPDES) stormwater program (Phase I) to address stormwater discharges from small municipal separate storm sewer systems and construction sites that disturb one to five acres. The regulations allow for the exclusion of certain sources based on a demonstration of the lack of impact on water quality, as well as the inclusion of others based on a higher likelihood of localized adverse impact on water quality. The regulations exclude from the LPDES program stormwater discharges from industrial facilities that have "no exposure" of industrial activities or materials to stormwater. The basis and rationale for this proposed rule are to enable Louisiana to retain its authorization and ensure that effective stormwater management will be practiced by a larger portion of the state. A public hearing will be held 25 September 2000, and comments must be received by that date. *For further information, please contact Patsy Deaville, LDEQ, at (225) 765-0399.*

STATE OF NEW MEXICO PROPOSED RULES

Increase in Groundwater Discharge Fees (20 New Mexico Administrative Code [NMAC] 6.2). The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is proposing to increase its groundwater discharge permit fees. The Department also is proposing to renumber, reformat and make other corrections to the rule. A public hearing will be held 12 September 2000 and written comments are due by that date. *For further information, please contact Cliff Hawley, NMED, at (505) 827-2844.*

Liquid Waste Disposal Regulations (20 NMAC 7.3). NMED is proposing changes to the liquid waste disposal regulations to better protect surface and groundwater from contamination caused by the disposal of liquid waste in septic tanks and drain, or "leach," fields. The changes would impact permitting, lot size and septic tank installation requirements. Public hearings have been held and the comment period is closed. *For further information, please call NMED at (505) 841-9450.*

STATE OF NEW MEXICO DISCUSSION

Revisions to Water Quality Standards (20 NMAC 6.1). NMED was planning to repeal its general water quality standard for total organic carbon and replace it with site-based standards. The Department is proposing a segment-specific numeric standard for dissolved oxygen for the Santa Fe River in segment 2110. A public hearing has been held. *For further information, please contact Steven Pierce, NMED, at (505) 827-2800.*

STATE OF OKLAHOMA FINAL RULE

Amendments to Aboveground Storage Tank (AST) Rules (Oklahoma Administrative Code [OAC] 165:26). Regulations governing ASTs, releases from such tanks, and remediation have been amended under a final rule issued by the Oklahoma Corporation Commission. The new rule reflects the expansion of the Corporation Commission's authority over aboveground tanks and establishes separate subchapters for each category of tank. The effective date of the rule was 15 July 2000. *For further information, please contact Thomas Tucker, Corporation Commission, at (405) 522-4256.*

STATE OF OKLAHOMA PROPOSED RULES

Permitting, Permits for Part 70 Sources, Control of Fugitive Dust, and Control of Emission of Sulfur Compounds (OAC 252:100-6, 8, 29, 31). ODEQ is proposing to revoke Subchapter 6, which is mainly a summary of the permit programs contained elsewhere. Revocation of the rule will have no effect on permit actions. Proposed amendments to Subchapter 8 include (1) adding fee categories for construction permit authorizations and modifications, (2) amending definitions, (3) clarifying that de minimis emissions increases do not require construction permits, but that additions of equipment subject to NESHAP would, (4) clarifying that best available control technology is not required for modifications resulting in emissions increases of less than 100 tons per year, unless the Prevention of Significant Deterioration Rules in Part 7 would require it, and (5) changing the reporting time for excess emissions caused by emergencies or upsets. Proposed amendments to Subchapter 29 include (1) combining 252:100-29-(2)(a) and (b) to require reasonable precautions to control any visible fugitive dust emissions beyond the property line on which the emissions originate if such emissions interfere with the use of adjacent properties, cause air quality standards to be exceeded, or interfere with the maintenance of air quality standards, and (2) revoking 252:100-29-5, Variances, as redundant. Proposed amendments to Subchapter 31 include (1) adding new definitions, (2) revoking redundant requirements or language, (3) replacing out-of-date testing procedures for ambient hydrogen sulfide, (3) changing the averaging time for ambient hydrogen sulfide concentration from existing equipment, and (4) changing all maximum average testing periods to time-based averages. *For more information, please contact Michelle Martinez, ODEQ, at (405) 702-4100.*

Hazardous Waste Transporter Requirements (OAC 252:205-7 and 252:205-21-3). ODEQ is proposing to revoke transporter rules pursuant to legislation passed during the 2000 legislative session. Currently, hazardous

waste transporters are required to register with the Department. A public hearing before the Environmental Quality Board is scheduled for 14 November 2000. *For further information, please contact Pamela Green, ODEQ, at (405) 702-5172.*

STATE OF OKLAHOMA DISCUSSION

Solid Waste Rules Rewrite (OAC 252:530). ODEQ is planning an extensive rewrite of its solid waste rules, mainly for clarification and simplification. The proposal also will repeal Chapter 510 (Municipal Solid Waste Landfills) and Chapter 520 (Solid Waste Management) and replace them with a new Chapter 530 (Solid Waste Management Rules). The rulemaking had been placed on hold pending the completion of a less extensive revision of Chapters 510 and 520, but staff report they are again working on the extensive rewrite. It is unknown when a proposal will be published. *For further information, please contact Jon Roberts, ODEQ, at (405) 702-5100.*

OTHER STATE OF OKLAHOMA REGULATORY ACTIVITY

Triennial Review of Water Quality Standards. ODEQ is preparing to initiate its triennial review of the state's water quality standards. The Department does not have a timetable to publish any proposed amendments. ODEQ will hold an informal meeting with interested parties 8 September 2000 to discuss possible revisions. *For more information, please contact Derek Smithee, ODEQ, at (405) 525-4700.*

TEXAS

Legislative/Regulatory Activity

STATE OF TEXAS FINAL RULES

Repeal of Bond Certification Criteria for Air Pollution (30 Texas Administrative Code [TAC] 104). TNRCC has repealed its rules regarding bond certification criteria for air pollution. The purpose of the rules was to set forth a procedure for the Commission to certify that certain property or equipment qualifies as a control facility. The certification was necessary to allow the purchase of the equipment to be financed with tax-exempt industrial development bonds. The U.S. Internal Revenue Code was amended to eliminate the bond program in 1986. The Commission has not received a request for certification since that time. The proposal has been adopted with an effective date of 20 July 2000. *For further information, please contact Barry Irwin, TNRCC, at (512) 239-1461.*

Landfill Rules/Application Processing (30 TAC 281.18). TNRCC has adopted a rulemaking to implement a portion of recent legislation (Senate Bill 486) that amends the maximum time an applicant has to submit information the Commission needs to declare a solid waste facility permit application administratively complete. The proposal deletes the current 270 day maximum response time with a maximum time of 90 days. The effective date of this rule was 20 July 2000. *For further information, please contact Ray Henry Austin, TNRCC, at (512) 239-6814.*

Triennial Review of Surface Water Quality Standards (30 TAC 307). TNRCC has adopted revisions to the Texas surface water quality standards that will satisfy federal requirements for triennial review. The site-specific standards will incorporate new sampling data and establish the appropriate changes in the rule so that permit issues in these areas can be resolved. Changes in variance procedures will reduce red tape as well as establish an approach that the U.S. EPA would approve for NPDES permits. The review of antidegradation provisions will better define how the antidegradation policy is implemented, and improve consistency in applying the policy to individual permit actions. The revisions of the standards implementation procedures will incorporate federal requirements for NPDES permitting and address a variety of recent implementation issues which have been developed on a case-by-case basis. The effective date of this rule was 17 August 2000. *For further information, please contact Jim Davenport, TNRCC, at (512) 239-4585.*

Removal of Sludge Disposal Fees (30 TAC 312.9). TNRCC has adopted amendments to Chapter 312 that incorporate requirements imposed by House Bill 3288 in the 76th Legislative Session, which prohibit TNRCC from charging disposal fees for sewage sludge that has been treated to the lowest pathogen density level provided by Commission rules and that meets metal concentration limits, vector attraction reduction, and pathogen reduction requirements. The effective date of this rule was 17 August 2000. *For further information, please contact Dan Burke, TNRCC, at (512) 239-1543.*

Quadrennial Review of Waste Rules (30 TAC 335). TNRCC has adopted a quadrennial review of its rules governing solid and hazardous waste (Chapter 335). The Commission has determined that several provisions are redundant, outdated or unnecessary and has repealed them. The proposed repeals will not impact the regulated community. The proposal has been adopted with an effective date of 20 July 2000. *For further information, please contact Ray Henry Austin, TNRCC, at (512) 239-6814.*

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSED RULES

Emissions Credit Banking and Trading (30 TAC 101.301 – 101.304). TNRCC is proposing revisions to the banking rule to standardize emission banking and trading for all pollutants by incorporating trading components from Chapters 114 and 115 into Chapter 101. The revision also will correct inaccuracies and omissions from the original rules to make the banking rule consistent with current policy. The proposal is available at http://www.tnrcc.state.tx.us/oprd/rule_lib/proposals/pc98089.pdf. Public hearings will be held throughout the state 18 September 2000 through 25 September 2000. Written comments will be accepted until 25 September 2000. *For further information, please contact Mike Magee, TNRCC, at (512) 239-1511.*

Houston Area Ozone Control Measures (30 TAC 114). TNRCC is proposing several revisions intended to attain the ozone standard in the Houston-Galveston area by 2007. A copy of the proposal is available at http://www.tnrcc.state.tx.us/oprd/rule_lib/proposals/pchgasp.pdf. *For further information, please contact Alan Henderson, TNRCC, at (512) 239-1510.*

Water/Wastewater Operator Certification (30 TAC 290). Subchapters A, B and C of Chapter 290 are being revised to bring them into compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996. The subchapters will be transferred to Chapter 335 so that the water and wastewater operator certification rules will be in one chapter. This rulemaking also will include the rules review of Chapters 290 and 325, and will reorganize the rules and improve readability. A public hearing has been held and the comment period is closed. *For more information, please contact T. Chenoweth, TNRCC, at (512) 239-4483.*

Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Revisions (30 TAC 311). Chapter 311, Watershed Protection, was adopted prior to the development of the NPDES stormwater program. The current requirements in Subchapters A, B and F restrict the development of issuance of TPDES stormwater permits for Lakes Travis, Austin, Inks, Buchanan, Lyndon B. Johnson, and Marble Falls. The proposed amendments to these subchapters would allow for the discharge of stormwater runoff and certain other non-stormwater discharges through the issuance of TPDES permits to control these discharges. A public hearing is scheduled for 11 September 2000, and comments will be accepted until 25 September 2000.

STATE OF TEXAS DISCUSSION

Adoption of Federal Military Munitions Rule (MMR) (new 30 TAC 335.184). TNRCC is planning to adopt the federal MMR with modifications. The proposed rule contains a definition of military munition that clearly includes non-nuclear components of nuclear weapons that must undergo sanitization. Since the concept of returning a component to service after sanitization is implausible, such components are being discarded and become solid wastes. The proposed rule would direct generators to perform a waste determination for all components that are being discarded. Solid waste military munitions that are found to be hazardous must be managed in accordance with the transportation standards of 40 CFR Section 266.203, the emergency response standards of 40 CFR Section 266.204, the storage standards of 40 CFR Section 266.205, and the treatment and disposal standards of 40 CFR 266.206, unless otherwise provided for in state rules. The proposed rule will adopt – unchanged – the federal MMR standards for storage and transportation of military munitions as these standards in the federal MMR formalize correct procedures that have heretofore been implemented in the State of Texas. Because the federal MMR pertaining to emergency response and to treatment and disposal of waste military munitions simply incorporates existing federal regulations, the rule that will be proposed will adopt these federal MMR standards to mirror previous state adoptions of federal regulations. A proposal is expected to be published 13 October 2000, with comments accepted until 13 November 2000. No hearing has been scheduled at this time. *For further information, please contact Ray Henry Austin, TNRCC, at (512) 239-6814.*

OTHER STATE OF TEXAS REGULATORY ACTIVITY

Quadrennial Review of Chapter 114 (30 TAC 114). TNRCC is conducting a quadrennial review of Chapter 114, concerning the control of air pollution from motor vehicles, to determine if the need for the rules continues to exist. The Commission has preliminarily determined that the rules are needed and is planning no changes as part of this action. The comment period is closed. *For further information, please contact Jill Burditt, TNRCC, at (512) 239-0560.*

Quadrennial Review of Chapter 305, Consolidated Permits (30 TAC 305). TNRCC will conduct a quadrennial review of Chapter 305 in order to determine if the need for the rules continues to exist. The Commission does not plan any revisions to the rule through this action. No public hearing has been scheduled, and comments must be received by 3 September 2000. *For further information, please contact Debi Dyer, TNRCC, at (512) 239-3972.*

Quadrennial Review of Chapter 344, Landscape Irrigators (30 TAC 334). TNRCC will conduct a quadrennial review of Chapter 334 in order to determine if the need for the rules continues to exist. No public hearing has been scheduled, and the comment period is closed.

REGION VII STATE ACTIVITY

Region VII State Agency Web Sites

Iowa Department of Natural Resources

<http://www.state.ia.us/government/dnr/index.html>

Kansas Department of Health and Environment

<http://www.kdhe.state.ks.us/>

Missouri Department of Natural Resources

<http://www.dnr.state.mo.us/homednr.htm>

Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality

<http://www.deq.state.ne.us/>

IOWA

Legislative/Regulatory Activity

STATE OF IOWA FINAL RULE

Per Tank Reinstatement Fees for Remedial Benefits (Iowa Administrative Code [IAC] 11.1[3], 11.4[11]). The Iowa Division of Insurance has amended the per tank reinstatement fees for remedial benefits for fiscal years 1991 to the present. The new fees range from \$330 to \$575. The effective date of this rule was 16 August 2000. *For further information, please contact Jo Oldson, Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR), at (515) 281-5705.*

STATE OF IOWA PROPOSED RULES

Registration of Aboveground Petroleum Storage Tanks (661 IAC 5.5, 5.307). IDNR is proposing amendments to require fire inspection fees and to provide for annual renewal of aboveground petroleum storage tank registrations and the accompanying fees. The amendments establish a \$10 fee to register or reregister each aboveground petroleum storage tank. Tank registration must be renewed by 1 October of each year. The Department adopted this rule as an emergency rule 30 June 2000, effective 1 July 2000. The Administrative Rules Review Committee reviewed the proposed rule 2 August 2000. A public hearing will be held 8 September 2000, and comments are due by 7 September 2000. *For further information, please contact Ray Reynolds, IDNR, at (515) 281-5821.*

Amendment to Allowances for Remedial Claims for Petroleum Underground Storage Tanks (IAC 11.9[1], [2], [3]). IDNR is proposing a regulation to allow the Department to make a claim of up to \$100,000 per site for further corrective action on petroleum-contaminated sites where the Department has issued a No Further Action certificate after 31 January 1997. The comment period is closed, and the Administrative Rules Review Committee reviewed the rule on 2 August 2000. *For further information, please contact Jo Oldson, IDNR, at (515) 281-5705.*

Wastewater Construction and Operation Permits (IAC 64.16[4]). IDNR is proposing an amendment to establish a pilot project authorized by Senate File 2430 (2000 legislation). The pilot project would refund fees paid to the Department for issuance of authorizations to discharge stormwater under general permits if the authorization is not sent to the applicant within a time period customary for such authorizations. The Department adopted the regulation as an emergency rule that was effective 21 July 2000 and expires 30 June 2001. IDNR held a public hearing on the proposed amendment 1 September 2000, and comments were due on that date. *For further information, please contact Wayne Farrand, IDNR, at (515) 281-8877.*

STATE OF IOWA DISCUSSION

Triennial Review of Water Quality Standards – Phase II (IAC Chapter 61). IDNR has begun discussions to amend its water quality regulations as part of its Triennial Review. The areas being considered for Phase II of the review are (1) using *E. coli* as a measure of pathogens instead of fecal coliform, (2) new or revised numeric criteria for ammonia, newer-generation pesticides and bacteria, (3) revising the methods the Department uses to develop water quality-based effluent limits, (4) establishing biological standards, (5) establishing procedures for identifying waters that are used for swimming and other contact recreation uses (Class A designation), (6) developing criteria for wetlands, and (7) developing implementation protocols for the antidegradation policy. IDNR expects to publish its proposal for public comments in the Fall of 2000. The Department is hoping to complete the process by the end of 2000. *For further information, please contact Ralph Turkle, IDNR, at (515) 281-7025.*

Mercury Initiatives. IDNR is developing an air toxics program that may deal with mercury. The new program will not be in place at least until the Summer of 2002. *For more information, please contact Corey McCoid, IDNR, at (515) 281-4801.*

KANSAS

Legislative/Regulatory Activity

STATE OF KANSAS DISCUSSION

Mercury Initiatives. KDHE is not undertaking any rulemaking initiatives on mercury. The Bureau of Waste Management is working on a program for Spring 2001 to use state resources to dispose of mercury-containing items from small businesses, homes, clinics and schools. Staff has indicated that the state follows federal standards. *For more information, please contact Charles Layman, KDHE, at (913) 296-1579.*

MISSOURI

Legislative/Regulatory Activity

STATE OF MISSOURI FINAL RULES

Submission of Emission Data, Emission Fees, and Process Information (10 Code of State Regulations [CSR] 10-6.110). The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) adopted amendments to its air rules regarding emission data, emission fees and process information. The amendments set the annual emission fees and remove the forms that were included at the end of the rule. The Department did not increase the fee of \$25.70 per ton of regulated air pollutant. The anticipated effective date of this rule is 30 November 2000. *For further information, please contact Jim Kavanaugh, MDNR, at (573) 751-4817.*

Nitrogen Oxides (NOx) Rulemaking and Emissions Trading (10 CSR 10-6.350). MDNR adopted amendments to address issues raised in the federal NOx Transport SIP call. This rulemaking will cover emission trading and NOx emission limits. The rule was adopted 25 May 2000, and submitted to the U.S. EPA on 29 June 2000. The effective date of this rule is 30 September 2000. *For further information, please contact Jim Kavanaugh, MDNR, at (573) 751-4817.*

Amend Effluent Limits (10 CSR 20-7.015). MDNR has adopted a rule that amends effluent limits. For lakes which are primarily used for public drinking water supplies, the rule bars discharges by domestic or industrial wastewater sources regulated by the effluent rules. For the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers, Wild and Scenic Rivers, and Ozark National Scenic Riverways and their drainages, the limits on total suspended solids for combined sewer overflow treatment devices is relaxed. The rule also creates a limited exception on pH limitations. The adopted rule includes portions that address requirements for stormwater clarifiers at wastewater treatment facilities. These

portions were unintentionally removed in the proposed rule. The effective date of this rule is 30 September 2000. *For further information, please contact John Madras, MDNR, at (573) 751-7428.*

Restriction of Emission of Particulate Matter from Industrial Processes (10 CSR 10-6.400). MDNR has adopted rules to restrict the emission of particulate matter during industrial processes. The regulation applies to any operation in which the products of combustion do not come into direct contact with process materials, the burning of refuse, and the processing of salvageable materials by burning. There are some limited exceptions. The effective date of this rule was 30 August 2000. *For further information, please contact Roger Randolph, MDNR, at (573) 751-4817.*

Adoption of Federal Drinking Water Rules (10 CSR 60-2.015, 4.010, 4.050, 4.090, 5.020, 7.010, 8.010). MDNR has amended its drinking water regulations to adopt the federal Interim Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule and the Disinfectants/Disinfection By-Products Rule (DBP). The amendments (1) establish criteria for determining significant deficiencies, (2) require new and modified treatment plants to be designed to meet the new turbidity requirements, (3) encourage small surface water systems to strive to meet the new turbidity standards, (4) require new and modified treatment plants to determine disinfection contact times and submit them to the Department before getting final construction approval, (5) require new and modified treatment systems to be designed to meet the new DBP maximum contaminants levels, (6) establish criteria for the Department to use to consider multiple wells as one treatment plant, (7) add reporting and recordkeeping requirements for disinfection by-products, and (8) update the certification requirements for analysis of disinfection byproducts. The effective date of this rule was 1 September 2000. *For further information, please contact Jerry Lane, MDNR, at (573) 751-5331.*

STATE OF MISSOURI PROPOSED RULE

SIP Revision for St. Louis Attainment Demonstration and St. Louis Rate of Progress Plans. MDNR is proposing changes to its St. Louis Attainment Demonstration SIP and the St. Louis Rate of Progress (ROP). The SIP is being amended to comply with the new ozone standard and transport SIP call. The changes in the ROP will include reformulated gasoline and associated VOC reduction credits and document changes in the inspection/maintenance program. The Missouri Air Conservation Commission adopted the attainment demonstration November 1999 and approved the changes to the ROP October 1999. The U.S. EPA approved the ROP 18 May 2000. MDNR anticipates presenting a supplemental model report to the Commission at a public hearing 31 August 2000. *For more information, please contact Jim Kavanaugh, MDNR, at (573) 751-4817.*

STATE OF MISSOURI DISCUSSION

Aboveground Storage Tank Rulemaking Package (New 10 CSR 20-15). MDNR is drafting a rulemaking package to amend the Petroleum Storage Tank Regulations to include the regulation of ASTs. The amendments will create 10 CSR 20-15, which will describe the technical requirements for ASTs. The Department expects the rulemaking to focus on remediation and corrective action. The Department is drafting its proposal and seeking input from affected agencies. MDNR will then consult with select industry representatives. Staff indicate that the Department does not expect to publish its proposal until late 2000 at the earliest. *For further information, please contact Tim Eiken, MDNR, at (573) 526-2737.*

NEBRASKA

Legislative/Regulatory Activity

STATE OF NEBRASKA NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Air Quality Permit Program/Emissions Fees. The Natural Resources Committee will examine funding for the air quality permit program administered by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) and caps on emissions fees, on 15 November 2000 at the State Capitol. The following day on 16 November 2000, the Committee will examine whether the goals of the Integrated Solid Waste Management Act have been reached. It will also study the Petroleum Release Remedial Act and solid waste collection services as they relate to the Integrated Solid Waste Management Act.

STATE OF NEBRASKA FINAL RULE

Update of State Hazardous Waste Program (Title 128). NDEQ adopted amendments to the state hazardous waste program. These amendments incorporate federal RCRA amendments promulgated between 1 January 1997 and 30 June 1998. The amendments include changes to (1) hazardous waste management requirements for testing and monitoring, (2) standards for hazardous waste combustors, (3) organic air emission standards for tanks, surface impoundments and containers, (4) alternative mechanisms for closure/post-closure, (5) land disposal restrictions, and (6) miscellaneous revisions and corrections. The amendments were approved by the Executive Branch and became effective 27 May 2000. *For further information, please contact Mark Podany, NDEQ, at (402) 471-4262.*

STATE OF NEBRASKA PROPOSED RULE

Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive Grants Program Amendments (Title 199). NDEQ is proposing to incorporate the eligibility requirements and funding sources of the Scrap Tire Reduction and Recycling Incentive Grants Program into the Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive Grants Program. Among other things, the amendments add a new section on liability for tire collection site cleanups. The proposed regulation is now pending executive review and is scheduled for hearing at the Environmental Quality Council's quarterly meeting on 29 September 2000. *For more information, please contact Julie Powers, NDEQ, at (402) 471-4210.*



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